

SENATE BILL REPORT

SJM 8007

As Reported by Senate Committee On:
Transportation, February 16, 2009

Brief Description: Naming the NE 116th Street overcrossing of Interstate 405 in Kirkland the Kollin Nielsen Memorial Bridge.

Sponsors: Senators Tom, Oemig and Jarrett.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Transportation: 2/16/09 [DPS].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Majority Report: That Substitute Senate Joint Memorial No. 8007 be substituted therefor, and the substitute joint memorial do pass.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Swecker, Ranking Minority Member; Becker, Berkey, Delvin, Eide, Jarrett, Kastama, Kauffman, Kilmer, King, Ranker and Sheldon.

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Background: Current law authorizes the Transportation Commission to name or rename state transportation facilities. The process to name or rename a facility can be initiated by the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), state, and local governmental entities, citizen organizations, or by any individual person.

Kollin Nielson was a Project Manager with the Kiewit Pacific Construction Company in June of 2007 when he was hit and killed by a drunk driver while working on the I-405 project in Kirkland. Mr. Nielson is survived by his wife, Sara, and his young son.

Summary of Bill (Recommended Substitute): The Transportation Commission is requested to change the name of the NE 116th street overcrossing of I-405 in Kirkland to the Kollin Nielson Memorial Bridge.

EFFECT OF CHANGES MADE BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (Recommended Substitute): This bill was amended in committee to correct the spelling of Kollin Nielson's name. In the original bill it was spelled Nielsen.

This analysis was prepared by non-partisan legislative staff for the use of legislative members in their deliberations. This analysis is not a part of the legislation nor does it constitute a statement of legislative intent.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: None.

Persons Testifying: No one.